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Application No.:	10/822581
Filed:	April 12, 2004
For:	Adhesion Technique for Incompatible Polymers Using Modified Polymer Tie Layers
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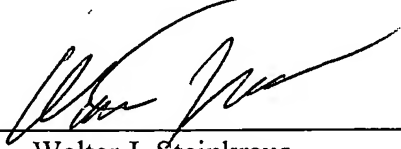
TRANSMITTAL LETTER

1. In regard to the above-identified application, in addition to this 2 page transmittal letter, we are submitting the attached:
4 pg Information Disclosure Statement; 2 pg List of References; 1 Reference; 2 pg Preliminary Amendment; and Postcard.
2. With respect to fees:
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Respectfully submitted,

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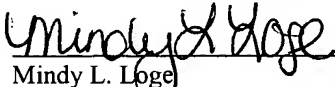
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before beginning examination and calculating the fees in this application, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below:

In the Specification

Please amend page 1, paragraph 3, line 21 to read as follows:

Patents which describe coextruded catheter tubing or balloon parison tubing, with or without tie layers, include US 5270086 (Hamlin); US 5195969 (Wang et al), US 5797877 (Hamilton et al); US 5290306 ~~52903065~~ (Trotta); US 5478320 (Trotta); US 5879369 (Ishida); US 6319228 (Kastenhofer); US 6464683 (Samuelson et al). Materials which have been employed for tie layers include functionally modified polyolefins (for example, Plexar, available from Equistar Chemicals) or an adhesive resin such as Bynel from DuPont or Nucral (an ethylene methacrylic acid copolymer) available from DuPont.